

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA**

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FUEL EFFICIENT CARS
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the installed capacity and actual production of cars in the country;
- (b) whether the Government have given any direction to the manufacturers to produce only fuel efficient cars in view of the scarcity of petroleum products;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a): According to Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM), the total installed capacity of cars during 1999-2000 was 10,80,000. During the same period, the production of cars was 6,39,888.

(b) to (d): There is no specific direction from the Government for production of fuel efficient cars. However, enforcement of tighter emission norms in the country, ensures that car manufacturers produce fuel efficient cars to enable them to stay in the market.